(b) whether Pepsi Foods is importing the special formula for the domestic market; and

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and on receipt of the same shall be laid on the Table of the House.

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[*Translation*] Defence

Facilities to Civilians residing in Cantonment Areas

2348. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the manner in which the primary facilities like electricity/water are provided to the civilians residing in Cantonment areas;

(b) whether Cantonment Boards extend their co-operation in providing such facilities;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the rules of the Cantonment Boards in this regard;

(e) whether the Government have received some suggestions for amendments therein; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR) : (a) to (c) Responsibility for the supply of electricity to civilians residing in Cantonments rests with the State Electricity Board. The Cantonment Boards make arrangements for the provision of street lights. As regards the supply of water, certain Cantonment Boards provide it, in accordance with their bye-laws, while others arrange it through the Military Engineering Service. Cantonment Boards provide land for the installation of Sub-Stations and permit laying of distribution lines.

(d) Under Section 116 of the Cantonments Act, 1924, it is the responsibility of the Cantonment Boards to make reasonable provisions for water supply and street lights in the Cantoments within the funds at their disposal. Under Section 117 of the aforesaid Act, Cantonment Boards are empowered to make additional provisions in this regard.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

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[*English*] Company

Pre-Payment received by Pepsi Foods

2349. SHRI PRAFUL PATEL : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "Pepsi receives Rs. 35 crores export prepayment from parent firm" appearing in the Economic Times dated July 18, 1991;

(b) if so, the items, quantity and price of the order for which the amount of Rs. 35 crores has been received by the Pepsi Foods and shipping schedule thereof;

(c) whether it is customary for companies to receive prepayment;

(d) whether any FERA or RBI rules have been violated in such prepayment; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) According to the information received by Ministry of Food Processing Industries from M/s. Pepsi the salient features of the agreement are as follows :—

(i) Pepsi Co. World Trade has advanced $13·6 million against export of goods to be made by Pepsi Foods Private Limited to Pepsi Co. World Trade.